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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

The above-identified patent application was allowed on April 13, 2004. The Notice of Allowability included a Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

While applicants appreciate the allowance of this application, applicants note that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance states that the claims are allowed in view of certain limitations that are paraphrased from claim 30. However, there are three other independent claims -- claims 34, 38 and 48 -- in the application, and the limitations of those claims differ from the limitations of claim 30.

Applicants would like to clarify that any limitation of claim 30 recited in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance,

but not present in a respective one of claims 34, 38 and 48 or its respective dependent claims, should not be read into that respective one of claims 34, 38 and 48 or any of its respective dependent claims. Applicants invite the Examiner to issue a revised Statement of Reasons for Allowance setting forth the reasons for allowance of each respective one of claims 34, 38 and 48 and its respective dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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